

**DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY
SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT (SDWA)**

Determination of Allotment and Award of Grants under
Section 1419(d) of the Safe Drinking Water Act

1. **AUTHORITY.** As authorized by Section 1419(d) of the SDWA, as amended (42 U.S.C. 300f, et. Seq), for expense reimbursement under the operator certification program, to:
 - a. Approve grants for the costs of training, including an appropriate per diem for unsalaried operators, and certification for persons operating systems serving 3,300 persons or fewer that are required to undergo training pursuant to SDWA Section 1419.
 - b. [this authority is not redelegated]
 - c. Receive notification from any State who, after reimbursing all such costs referred to in (1)(a), decides to use any remaining funds from the grant for any of the other purposes authorized for grants under section 1452.
2. **TO WHOM REDELEGATED.**
 - a. To the Director, Water Division, or equivalent.
 - b. The authority under Delegation 1-14-A to execute the grants is redelegated through the Director, Mission Support Division, or equivalent, and through the Branch Chief, Grants and Interagency Agreements Branch, or equivalent, to the Section Chief, Grants Section, or equivalent.
3. **LIMITATIONS.** The regional administrator or division director must obtain concurrence from the Director of the Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (OGWDW) before approving the first expense reimbursement grant agreement in each region. OGWDW and each region will agree in advance on additional agreements, or parts thereof, for OGWDW to review. Any review by OGWDW will be conducted concurrently with each region.
4. **REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.**
 - a. This authority may not be redelegated.
 - b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.
5. **SUPERSESSION.** This delegation supersedes R10 9-68 (10/28/2004) and any other delegation of the same authority.

6. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.

- a. 40 CFR Part 31.
- b. EPA Assistance Administration Manual.
- c. EPA Guidelines for the Certification and Recertification of the Operators of Community and Nontransient Noncommunity Public Water Systems.
- d. EPA Delegation 1-14-A.
- e. EPA Delegation 9-68.

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